Consumers now have a choice to pay for radio services that traditional radio does not offer. I chose to pay a subscription to XM because I enjoy instant access to information and entertainment that I cannot gain from my local ?traditional radio? broadcasters. In particular, I cannot get constant traffic report in my area via traditional radio that I receive via XM. It is the same concept of premium cable TV services. Although free broadcast service serves its purpose, my choice to subscribe to XM is the result of the variety and quality of programming services offered by XM.

I urge the members of the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 because of the value adding services that XM has offered consumers.